

Morning Brief

Date/Time Stamp: Saturday, September 19, 2015 - 0700 hrs.

Activity Summary

In the Northwest:

Very light scattered precipitation along the coast with no lightning. Light IA activity with 5 acres growth on existing large fires.

Preparedness Levels

Current:

Northwest	3 (no change)
National	3 (no change)

Northwest PL Forecast:

2	2	1		
3-day	10-day	30-day		

Northwest Fire Activity

Large Fire Summary

New large fires: 0 Large fires contained: 0

Uncontained large fires: 12 (OR: 4, WA: 8)

New Fires and Acres: 4 fires for 1 acre (5 acres growth on existing large fires)

OR: 2 fires for 0 acres WA: 2 fires for 1 acre

Northwest IMT Activity

NIMOs committed: 0 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1 Type 2 IMTs committed: 5

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (66 new fires)

New large incidents: 1 Large fires contained: 1 Uncontained large fires: 21

National IMT Activity

Area Command Teams committed: 0

NIMOs committed: 1

Type 1 IMTs committed: 5 Type 2 IMTs committed: 9

Current Incident Details

Incidents not Previously-Reported: 0

Incidents Previously-Reported: 12

North Star WA-COA-000157. IMT1. CA Team 1 (McGowan). 5 miles E of Omak, WA. Start 8/13. **Full Suppression.** Timber. Cause: Human. 217,619 acres (+5). 85% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Road and area closures in effect. **CA Team 1 (McGowan) managing Tunk Block and North Star.**

Tunk Block WA-NES-001219. IMT1. CA Team 1 (McGowan). 3 miles E of Omak, WA. Start 8/14. Full Suppression. Timber. Cause: Unknown. 165,918 acres (+0). 97% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. Road and area closures in effect. CA Team 1 (McGowan) managing Tunk Block and North Star.

Okanogan Complex (2 fires) WA-NES-001203. IMT2. WA Team 5 (Leitch). 13 miles NW of Omak, WA. Start 8/14. Full Suppression. Timber and brush. Cause: Lightning. 133,142 acres (+0). 95% containment. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Evacuation notices in effect. FMAG approved (8/15). WA Team 5 (Leitch) took command of the Chelan Complex from WA Team 3 (Allbee) today at 0600.

Includes 2 merged fires: **Beaver Lake** (WA-OWF-000671). 25,956 acres. **Lime Belt** (WA-OWF-000657). 107,186 acres.

Chelan Complex (5 fires) WA-SES-000701. IMT2. WA Team 5 (Leitch). 1 mile S of Chelan, WA. Start 8/14. Full Suppression. Timber. Cause: Unknown. 88,985 acres (+0). 98% containment. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. T&E fisheries, natural habitat, commercial timber and private grazing allotments threatened. Road and trail closures in effect. FMAG approved (8/15). WA Team 5 (Leitch) took command of the Chelan Complex from WA Team 3 (Allbee) today at 0600.

Includes 5 merged fires; Reach (WA-SPD-000651); McFarland Creek (WA-OWF-000669); Cagle (WA-SES-000655); Antoine Creek (WA-OWF-000654); Black Canyon (WA-OWF-000663).

Meeks Table WA-OWF-000784. IMT2. WA Team 4 (Gales). 14 miles NW of Naches, WA. Start 9/12. **Confine/Full Suppression.** Timber. Cause: Unknown. 1,024 acres (+0). 25% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and torching. Residences, structures, natural resources and T&E species threatened. Road closures in effect.

Kettle Complex (4 fires) WA-COF-001264. IMT2. WA Team 1 (Ciraulo). 26 miles NW of Colville, WA. Start 8/11. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 76,438 acres (-111). 77% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and backing. Road, trail and area closures in effect. Evacuation notices in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. IMT 2 OR Team 1 (Sheldon) short team tentative transition on 9/20.

Includes 4 fires: **Graves Mountain** (WA-COF-001196). 8,557 acres. 80% containment; **Stickpin** (WA-COF-001111). 53,874 acres. 85% containment. **Renner** (WA-COF-001202). 13,775 acres. 85% containment. **North Boulder 2** (WA-COF-000867). 232 acres. 100% containment.

Wolverine WA-OWF-000287. IMT2. WA Team 2 (Rabe). 3 miles NW of Lucerne, WA. Start 6/29. Monitor/Confine/Point Zone Protection/Full Suppression. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 65,512 acres (+0). 80% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Residences and structures destroyed. Road, trail and area closures in effect. WA Team 2 (Rabe) currently managing Wolverine and First Creek.

First Creek WA-OWF-000650. IMT2. WA Team 2 (Rabe). 8 miles NW of Chelan, WA. Start 8/14. **Full Suppression.** Grass and timber. Cause: Lightning. 7,490 acres (+0). 97% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. **WA Team 2 (Rabe) currently managing Wolverine and First Creek.**

National Creek Complex (2 fires) OR-RSF-000836. IMT3. 10 miles SW of Diamond Lake, OR. Start 8/1. **Full Suppression**. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 20,945 acres (+0). 90% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Includes 2 merged fires: Crescent (OR-CLP-000405). 20,825 acres; National (OR-RSF-000787). 120 acres.

Dry Gulch OR-972S-001159. IMT3. 7 miles NW of Richland, OR. Start 9/12. **Full Suppression.** Brush and timber. Cause: Unknown. 17,823 acres (+0). 85% containment. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Cell tower, high tension powerline and grazing land threatened. FMAG approved (9/14). Conflagration Act invoked (9/14). Transfer of command from ODF Team 3 (Smith) to IMT3 at 1900 yesterday.

Canyon Creek Complex (3 fires) OR-MAF-015192. IMT3. 7 miles N of Seneca, OR. Start 8/12. Full Suppression (all fires in complex). Timber and grass. Cause: Lightning. 110,422 acres (+0). 95% containment. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences and structures destroyed. Critical habitat and watershed threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. FMAG approved (8/15).

Includes 3 fires. Berry Creek merged with Mason Spring: **Berry Creek** (OR-MAF-015271). 100 acres; **Mason Spring** (OR-MAF-0152270). 110,161 acres; **Jerrys Draw** (OR-952S-015306). 161 acres.

Grizzly Bear Complex OR-UMF-000947. IMT3. 20 miles SE of Dayton, WA. Start 8/13. Monitor/Confine/Point Zone Protection/Full Suppression. Timber. Cause: Lightning. 79,374 acres (+0). 44% containment. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and isolated torching. Residences, T&E species habitat, recreational facilities, and natural resources threatened. Road, trail and area closures in effect. This complex contains 17 fires (varying sizes, some have merged). FMAG approved (8/21). No new information. Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs. See NW Fires Utilizing Monitor, Confine, Point Zone Protection Suppression Strategies (YTD) (link) for future updates

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Lists fires (of any size) that singly utilize Monitor, Confine, or Point Zone Protection suppression strategies, or use Multiple Suppression Strategies (which may also include a Full Suppression component).

Northwest Fire Potential Summary:

A ridge of high pressure aloft is reaching maximum strength today. This means generally clear and dry conditions on both sides of the Cascades and light general winds. Potential for new large fires remains low due to the absence of critical weather and diminished fire danger indices. On Sunday the upper ridge will weaken and a cold front will push across the Washington Cascades. This will briefly boost fire potential over the Columbia Basin for Sunday.

More info, see NW 7-Day Significant Fire Potential Forecast, and National 7-Day Significant Fire Potential Forecast

National Incident Management Situation Report (IMSR): http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf Other GACC Morning Reports

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